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NOTE FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

Director of Logistics

SUBJECT: LIMS

Harry/Dan:

Although the Comptroller approved the requested reprogramming for LIMS, he asked that I convey to you his concern at the unexpected cost growth--first the \$993,000 added in the 1985 program to cover an earlier identified 1984 shortfall and now an additional \$550,000 to maintain the current rate of progress and thus hopefully avoid further cost increases which could result from possible schedule delays.

I should emphasize that the Comptroller recognizes the importance of the effort and also is aware that these increases at least in part relate to new requirements (e.g., the Payment Module). However, he is understandably concerned that our external reviewers may not be equally understanding or sympathetic and may conclude that we are not capable of dealing with the complex multi-systems problems involved. To the extent possible, and in an effort to avoid further cost growth, he believes that the LIMS requirements should be locked in and that changes should be held to the absolute minimum until the modules/systems are operational.

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I think the bottom line in all this is that everyone agrees we neither want nor need what may be perceived to be additional SAFE-like problems.

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